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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
7 AT SEATTLE

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,  
9 Plaintiffs,  
10 v.  
11 STATE OF WASHINGTON, et al.,  
12 Defendants.  
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Case No. C70-9213  
Sub-proceeding No. 18-sp-01  
ORDER GRANTING JOINDER

14 Interested party Upper Skagit Indian Tribe has filed a Notice of Joinder, seeking to join  
15 as a Requesting Party in the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community and Tulalip Tribes Request  
16 for Determination against the Lummi Nation. Dkt. #29. Interested party Hoh Indian Tribe has  
17 objected to the joinder, arguing that Upper Skagit has not followed the proper process to join  
18 the proceedings as a Requesting Party. Dkt. #31.  
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20 Having considered the Notice of Joinder and the relevant record, the Court finds for the  
21 reasons stated by Upper Skagit that its Notice of Joinder is appropriate. *See* Dkt. #34.  
22 Accordingly, the Clerk SHALL designate Upper Skagit Indian Tribe as a Plaintiff in this matter,  
23 rather than as an Interested Party, and the Court shall recognize the Upper Skagit Indian Tribe  
24 as a Plaintiff seeking a Request for Determination along with the Swinomish Indian Tribal  
25 Community and Tulalip Tribes.  
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2 This Order does not constitute a finding that the dispute is within the Court's jurisdiction  
3 under Paragraph 25 of the Permanent Injunction.

4 DATED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018.

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7 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
8 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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